



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Muller, G. et al.  
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For: SUBSTITUTED ACYL-  
HYDROXAMIC ACIDS AND  
METHOD OF REDUCING  
TNF $\alpha$  LEVELS

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Examiner: B.L. Coleman  
Docket No.: 9516-303-999  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated December 2, 2005, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for entry into the record and for the Examiner's consideration. Submitted herewith is a Notice of Appeal.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected on the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.